

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently amended) An acidic protein food or drink comprising one or more of salts or saccharides selected from the group consisting of neutral or acidic water-soluble polysaccharides, water-soluble basic salts, alkali metal salts of organic acids, basic monosaccharides and basic oligosaccharides, and acidic-soluble protein.

2. (Original) The acidic protein food or drink according to claim 1, wherein the acidic-soluble protein is that of soybean origin.

3. (Original) The acidic protein food or drink according to claim 1, wherein the acidity is in the range of pH 2.0-4.5.

4. (Original) The acidic protein food or drink according to claim 1, wherein the food or drink is a beverage, an aqueous phase-containing emulsion or a frozen dessert.

5. (Currently Amended) A powder material comprising one or more of salts or saccharides selected from the group consisting of neutral or acidic water-soluble polysaccharides, water-soluble basic salts, alkali metal salts of organic acids, basic monosaccharides and basic oligosaccharides, and acidic-soluble protein.

6. (Currently Amended) An acidic-soluble protein material with relieved astringency comprising one or more of added salts or saccharides selected from the group consisting of

neutral or acidic water-soluble polysaccharides, water-soluble basic salts, alkali metal salts of organic acids, basic monosaccharides and basic oligosaccharides which are added thereto.

7. (Previously presented) The material according to claim 5, which is an agent for preventing formation of dregs of cloudy-type fruit juice.

8. (Previously presented) The material according to claim 6, which is an agent for preventing formation of dregs of cloudy-type fruit juice.